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§ 531.303 Computation of hourly, daily, weekly, and biweekly adjusted rates of pay.

When it is necessary to convert the special law enforcement adjusted rate of pay to an hourly, daily, weekly, or biweekly rate, the following methods apply:

- (a) To derive an hourly rate, divide the adjusted annual rate of pay by 2,087 and round to the nearest cent, counting one-half cent and over as a whole cent:
- (b) To derive a daily rate, multiply the hourly rate by the number of daily hours of service required by the employee's basic daily tour of duty;
- (c) To derive a weekly or biweekly rate, multiply the hourly rate by 40 or 80, as the case may be.

§ 531.304 Administration of special law enforcement adjusted rates of pay.

- (a) A law enforcement officer shall receive the greatest of—
- (1) His or her rate of basic pay, including any applicable special salary rate established under 5 U.S.C. 5305 or similar provision of law or special rate for law enforcement officers under section 403 of FEPCA;
- (2) A continued rate of pay under subpart G of this part;
- (3) A special law enforcement adjusted rate of pay under this subpart, where applicable, including a special law enforcement adjusted rate of pay continued under §531.307; or
- (4) A "locality rate of pay" under subpart F of this part, where applicable.
- (b) A special law enforcement adjusted rate of pay and a special law enforcement adjusted rate of pay that is continued under §531.307(a) are considered basic pay for the purpose of computing—
- (1) Retirement deductions and benefits under chapters 83 or 84 of title 5, United States Code;
- (2) Life insurance premiums and benefits under parts 870, 871, 872, and 873 of this chapter;
- (3) Premium pay under subparts A and I of part 550 of this chapter (including the computation of limitations on premium pay under 5 U.S.C. 5547, overtime pay under 5 U.S.C. 5542(a), and

- compensatory time off under 5 U.S.C. 5543);
- (4) Severance pay under subpart G of part 550 of this chapter;
- (5) Advances in pay under subpart B of part 550 of this chapter; and
- (6) Basic pay that a career appointee in the Senior Executive Service elects to continue while serving under certain Presidential appointments, as provided by 5 U.S.C. 3392(c)(1) and §317.801 of this chapter.
- (c) When an employee's official duty station is changed form a location not in a special pay adjustment area to a location in a special pay adjustment area, payment of the special law enforcement adjusted rate of pay begins on the effective date of the change in official duty station.
- (d) A special law enforcement adjusted rate of pay is paid only for those hours for which an employee is in a pay status.
- (e) A special law enforcement adjusted rate of pay shall be adjusted as of the effective date of any change in the applicable scheduled annual rate of pay.
- (f) Except as provided in paragraph (g) of this section, entitlement to a special law enforcement adjusted rate of pay under this subpart terminates on the date—
- (1) An employee's official duty station is no longer located in a special pay adjustment area;
- (2) An employee is no longer in a position covered by this subpart;
- (3) An employee separates from Federal service;
- (4) An employee's special salary rate under 5 U.S.C. 5305 or similar provision of law (other than section 403 of FEPCA) exceeds his or her special law enforcement adjusted rate of pay under this subpart; or
- (5) An employee's "locality rate of pay" under subpart F of this subpart exceeds his or her special law enforcement adjusted rate of pay under this subpart.
- (g) In the event of a change in the geographic area covered by a CMSA, PMSA, or MSA described in §531.301 of this chapter, the effective date of a change in an employee's entitlement to a special law enforcement adjusted rate of pay under this subpart shall be